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DRIVING DEVICE, POSITION CONTROLLER
PROVIDED WITH DRIVING DEVICE, AND
CAMERA PROVIDED WITH POSITION
CONTROLLER

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In compliance with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and § 1.97, Applicant wishes to bring the following items to the attention of the Examiner. A copy of each document is enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

No representation is made, and no representation is intended, that more relevant material does not exist, or that the order of presentation of this material in any way reflects its relative pertinence. Specifically, this presentation is not an admission that the items listed below are properly citable against the above-identified application.

The issue fee for the above-referenced application is being paid concurrently herewith.

Submitted herewith is a copy of a Japanese Notice of Reasons for Rejection, dated August 17, 2004, for counterpart Japanese Patent Application No. 2002-208854, along with the English translation thereof. The Japanese Notice of Reasons for Rejection cites the following references in the order listed below:

- (1) Japanese Published Unexamined Application No. (A) 5-328757 (CANON INC), published December 10, 1993; and
- (2) Japanese Published Unexamined Application No. (A) 2000-78861 (MINOLTA CO LTD), published March 14, 2000.

Also, the Applicant would like to bring to the attention of the Examiner the following document:

- (3) Kataoka, U.S. Patent No. 5,539,268, issued July 23, 1996.

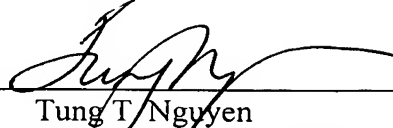
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The above-cited references are submitted pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(i) as submitted information to be placed in the application file. Accordingly, it is believed that no fee is required. If it should be determined that a fee is required, please charge any required fee during the pendency of this application to Sidley Austin Brown & Wood LLP's Deposit Account No. 18-1260. Please credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 18-1260.

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